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ACREAGE – JUNE 2020

UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

Utah principal crop planted acreage, which includes acres planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is up 3 percent from 2019 to 931,000 acres, according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Utah **corn** producers planted 95,000 acres of corn this year of which they intend to harvest 30,000 acres for grain, up from 26,000 acres harvested in 2019. This is an increase of 15 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage and a 12 percent increase in planted acreage for all purposes. **Barley** planted area, at 21,000 acres, is 24 percent more than last year's acreage. Expected harvested acres, at 14,000 acres, are 40 percent above 2019.

Winter wheat producers planted 120,000 acres in the fall of 2019 for harvest in 2020, down from 125,000 acres planted for the previous year's crop. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain is down 1,000 acres from last year to 115,000 acres.

The area to be harvested for **hay** is expected to increase 15,000 acres from a year ago to 695,000 acres. **Alfalfa hay** harvested acreage is expected to increase 10,000 acres to 520,000 acres and **all other hay** harvested acreage is expected to increase 5,000 acres to 175,000 acres. **Safflower** growers planted an estimated 17,000 acres this year, up 4,000 acres from last year. Harvested acres are expected to total 16,000 acres, up from 12,700 acres harvested in 2019.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2020 is estimated at 92.0 million acres, up 3 percent or 2.31 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 28 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 84.0 million acres, is up 3 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 2.80 million acres of **barley** for the 2020 crop year, up 3 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.23 million acres, is up 2 percent from 2019.

All wheat planted area for 2020 is estimated at 44.3 million acres, down 2 percent from 2019. This represents the lowest all wheat planted area since records began in 1919. The 2020 winter wheat planted area, at 30.6 million acres, is down 2 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 21.5 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.63 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.42 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2020 is estimated at 12.2 million acres, down 4 percent from 2019. Of this total, about 11.5 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2020 is expected to total 1.50 million acres, up 12 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 52.4 million acres of **all hay** in 2020, down slightly from 2019. If realized, this will represent the lowest total hay harvested area since 1908.

Area planted to **safflower** is estimated at 145,000 acres in 2020, down 13 percent from 2019 and represents the second lowest planted area for the Nation since records began in 1991. Area for harvest is forecast at 137,500 acres, down 10 percent from last year and will be the second lowest harvested area on record for the Nation, if realized.

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